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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing with the above-identified application before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits are the following:

1. PTO-1449A; and
2. U.S. patents listed thereon.

Applicant believes there is no fee required; however, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies, or credit any overpayment associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 50-0852. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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